

# Eternity

STEWARDSHIP 2026

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## TREASURE IN HEAVEN

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Dear Friends,



**When the Australian city of Sydney welcomed in the new millennium** with a magnificent fireworks display over the iconic harbour, the smoke cleared and a single word in neon letters 100 feet high lit the span of Sydney Harbour Bridge: Eternity. It was Sydney's tribute to one man's life. Watch the short stewardship video (link below) if you'd like to hear the story behind it.

To know the Lord Jesus Christ – that He died to forgive our sins and that one day we will spend eternity with Him – it changes all of life here and how. We want others to know Him. We want to use our time, our energies and our money for His Kingdom in a way we could never have dreamt of doing before we knew Him.

### Everything changes in the light of eternity.

Jesus said,

*'Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven.'*

Matthew 6:19-20

Next spring the long-anticipated repair of the Tiger building will begin. Last April we launched the vision for the work: **Under One Roof** – to Restore the building, Revive our ministries and Reach our local area with Christ's love in word and deed. The church family responded with wonderful faith and generosity, meeting the sum asked. Thank you again for your gift, however large or small. It is an expression of our partnership together.

Meanwhile, opportunities abound. While local services are being cut, we are excited to launch a new ministry at All Saints: **'Forget Me Knots'**, for those living with cognitive impairment. A sister-ministry to Tiger@Ten, it is exactly the sort of practical ministry that we'd love to see growing out of the newly-restored Tiger.

At the same time it is an enormous privilege at the moment, along with churches up and down the country, to welcome visitors almost every week who are either returning to church or who are sensing a spiritual hunger in their lives. Some are calling it **'The Quiet Revival'**. Time will tell if that's the right description, but meanwhile we want to do all we can to help those who are coming.

With an added emphasis on outreach and discipleship we are responding with new initiatives: groups for enquirers and those new to Christ; greater hospitality at Cornerstone. We are beginning to partner with Blackthorns School through the **Transforming Lives for Good** mentoring scheme.

We're committed to sharing the love of Christ in word and deed beyond ourselves, of course. The parish share that we give towards diocesan costs is expected to rise by 3% and further afield, we aim to increase our giving to mission at home and abroad by 5%. We recently increased our giving to the diocese's Family Support Work. Earlier this year Parliament passed significant votes that threaten both the beginning and end of life. And in response we are pleased to support the Haven Pregnancy Centre in Burgess Hill and now also our local hospice, St. Peter and St. James.

We can only do this together. And only with prayer, time and money. So at this Stewardship season can I invite you to pray about your giving, and if you're not yet in the habit of giving, to begin to do so, however small the sum.

The link below will take you to a video about Stewardship. The documents below outline our financial situation as we seek to respond to the opportunities God has given us in the year ahead. Will you please pray and consider how you can partner financially?


I would like to commend three things to you: our **Bible study** on giving (which can be accessed on the link below); **Stewardship Sunday 19th October** when we think as a church family about our calling to give generously; and **Dedication Sunday 26th October** when we present our gifts and pledges to the Lord.


Thank you for your faithful and generous giving.


Yours in Christ,

**Steve Nichols** Vicar October 2025

## Resources

 VIDEO  
A message from Steve Nichols about our 2026 Stewardship.  
[click to play](#)

 BIBLE STUDY  
A study on giving to use in Connect Groups or by couples and individuals.  
[click to access](#)

 FINANCE REPORT  
Outlining our financial situation as we seek to respond.  
[Summary](#) [Full Version](#)

## Dates

**Sunday 19th October 2025**

**Stewardship Sunday**

We think as a church family about our calling to give generously.

**Sunday 26th October 2025**

**Dedication Sunday**

We present our gifts and pledges to the Lord.

## Contact

If you have any questions please email the church office which will pass your query on to the appropriate person.

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